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                  FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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    UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
                                     ) CR No. 92-186-R
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                    Plaintiff,
                                    ) [<del>PROPOSED</del>] ORDER DENYING
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                                     ) DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO REDUCE
                                     ) SENTENCE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C.
                  v.
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                                     ) § 3582(C)(2)
    REGINO ARMENTA-LOPEZ,
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                 Defendant.
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On January 22, 2008, defendant Regino Armenta-Lopez filed a motion to reduce his sentence pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) based on a recent retroactive amendment to the United States Sentencing Guidelines which lowered the base offense levels applicable under U.S.S.G. § 2D1.1 to cocaine base ("crack") offenses. The government filed an opposition to defendant's motion on February 20, 2008, and defendant filed a reply on March 27, 2008. The court conducted a hearing on the motion, at which both defendant and his counsel, Federal Public Defender Sean Kennedy, were present, on March 31, 2008. Having considered the papers filed by the parties, as well as the representations to

1 the court at the hearing, the court finds and orders as follows: 2 It is undisputed that defendant was sentenced based on an 3 offense level determined based on application of the guidelines for methamphetamine, not cocaine base ("crack"). Accordingly, 4 5 the retroactive amendment to the guidelines applicable to cocaine 6 base ("crack") offenses is inapplicable to defendant, and 7 defendant is not eligible for reduction of sentence pursuant to 8 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2). Therefore, defendant's motion must be, 9 and it is, denied. 10 11 DATED: April 7, 2008 HON. MANUEL L.REAL 12 United States District Judge 13 14 Presented by: 15 16 George S. Cardona 17 Chief Assistant United States Attorney Attorney for Plaintiff 18 United States of America 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28